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n Powd. and Crystals, also in Drops of 5 grs., easily soluble in Water, Wine, &amp;c.

FEVER, RHEUMATIC &amp; NEURALGIC AFFECTIONS.

NERVOUS AFFECTIONS.

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SOLUBLE CASEIN-SILVER PREPARATION.

Used in Gomorosis in 1 to 2 per cent. solutions, possesses similar bactericidal action to silver nitrate, but is distinguished by complete absence of irritating properties.

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DR. OVERLAET'S  
MIGRAINE  
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The best medium dose for adults 17 grms.

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BECHSTEIN \$800 BUILT FOR  
LIPP 700 CLOMATE  
RACHALS 850 WARRANTED  
PLEYEL 750TO CLEAR FOR SUMMER & PROPERTY OF GENTLEMEN LEAVING FOR HOME  
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Sales Rooms, 10, Hauss Street.

A great assortment of CHINESE and JAPANESE VASES, PIQUES, JADE, FANES, &amp;c., &amp;c.

Also

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HUGHES &amp; HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1900.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION,

No. 11.

THE following particulars of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 29th day of JANUARY, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1900.

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## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA  
THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY

## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES
YAWATA MARU	MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 26th January, 1900.
A. E. MOSS		10 A.M.
HARUJI MARU	AMOY, SHANGHAI AND KOBE	THURSDAY, 1st February.
M. Nishizumi		SATURDAY.
KADOMITSU MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO	FRIDAY, 2nd February.
R. Nishizumi		12 NOON.
HITACHI MARU	MARSEILLE, LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 9th February.
B.C. Ueda		SATURDAY.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c. apply to the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Pray Central.

A. S. MIHARA,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1900.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON BERMARKS.

LONDON	BOMBAY	Daylight 27th	Freight or Passage.
	[G.M. Montford, F.R.E.]	January	

SHANGHAI & JAPAN	CYRION	About 27th	Freight or Passage.
	C. L. Daniel	January	

LONDON, &c.	VALETTA	Noon, 3rd	See Special Advertisement.
	[C. G. Talbot, B.M.R.]	February	

KOKOHAMA VIA NA.	ROSETTA	About 3rd	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea.)
	[C. G. Talbot, B.M.R.]	February	

SHANGHAI	OLYME	About 3rd	Freight or Passage.
	[G. T. Denny, F.R.E.]	February	

MARSEILLES, AND LONDON DIRECT.	MARSELLA	31st March	Freight or Passage.
(Without Transhipment)		14th April	

For further particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1900.

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## SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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WITTENBERG	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	On 26th Jan. Freight
	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	10 A.M.
HOHESATIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 27th Freight
Capt. Bahl	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	February
BABELSBERG	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 15th Freight
Capt. Pfaff	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	February
WESPHALIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 27th Freight
Capt. Strunk	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	February
ASIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 15th Freight
Capt. Hildebrandt	(via Suez Canal)	March

\* This steamer has superior accommodation for Passengers and carries a Doctor and a Steward.

For further particulars as to Freight, Passage, &c. apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th January.

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## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA	FOR PORTLAND, OREGON,
IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.	IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION CO.

Steamer	Tons.	Captain	Proposed Sailing.	Steamer	Tons.	Captain	Proposed Sailing.
TACOMA	3,111	A. Dixon	Jan. 30	AMBERGELD	3,777	J. Murray	Feb. 5
GLENCOE			Feb. 10				

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

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Excellent accommodation. First class Table, Doctor and Stewardess carried.

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The best route to the KILOMETER GOLD FIELDS. Frequent sailings from VICTORIA, TACOMA and PORTLAND to DEXA and ST. MICHAEL.

Passes of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in triplicate, and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, Tacoma, Wash., for Goods sent via that port, and to the Freight Agent, Oregon Railways, Portland, Or., Portland, Oregon. Goods Shipped by that route to Canada must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

BODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1900.

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## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

## THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 12 knots.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## (Subject to Alteration.)

EMPEROR OF INDIA—Comdr. G. P. Marshall, R.N.R. .... WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb, 1900

EMPEROR OF JAPAN—Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R. .... WEDNESDAY, 14th Mar, 1900

EMPEROR OF CHINA—Comdr. B. Archibald, R.N.R. .... WEDNESDAY, 4th April, 1900

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SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS second to none in the World, the LUXURIOUS OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for some years) and its magnificient TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the magnificient MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Company's routes pass.

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D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder Street

Hongkong, 18th January, 1900.

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## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	CAPTAIN.	F.R. & FREIGHT APPLIED TO	TO HER DESPATCHED
LONDON & VIA PORTS OF CALL	Yale	F.N. Villard	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd Feb., at Noon.	
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Montford	J. Jackson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 6th Feb.	
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Baldom	Malton	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 9th Feb.	
LONDON	Bobby	Montford	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Daylight.	
LIVERPOOL, DISSANT	Perthus	Davies	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 14th Feb.	
ROTTERDAM & LONDON	Cowrie	Arnold	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 29th inst.	
MARSEILLES & PORTS OF CALL	Catalan	Baldom	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 2nd Feb., at Daylight.	
MARSEILLES & S. V. S. F. & CO.	Hitchi Maru	R. C. Tod	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd Feb., at Daylight.	
MARSEILLES & LONDON					

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 21.—Appointment of an Imperial Council to consider commercial questions of Imperial interest.  
 22.—Copyright.  
 23.—Municipal Trading.  
 24.—Sugar Bounties.  
 25.—Defences of the Empire.  
 And the organising Committee is willing to receive resolutions on any economic and non-political subject which the Chamber and the organising Committee consider suitable for discussion.

## HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT CO., LTD.

The following is the report of the board of directors for presentation to the ordinary half yearly meeting of the shareholders to be held at the office of the Company, on Thursday, the 1st February, 1890, at 3 p.m.

The directors beg to submit to the shareholders the report and statement of accounts for the half-year ending 31st December last.

After paying running expenses, salaries, premium of insurance, repairs and all other outgoings, there remains, including \$54,648.66 brought forward from last account, the sum of \$179,083.41 at credit of profit and loss account. From this amount the directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 8 per cent on capital, or \$96,000, be paid to shareholders, and that 5 per cent or \$39,875, be written off the book value of steamers and launches, leaving a balance of \$43,213.41 to be carried forward to new account.

The steamers' earnings as compared with those of the corresponding six months of the previous year show a falling off. This is, in a great measure, accounted for by the unsatisfactory state of affairs on the West River, the working of this branch of the Company's business having resulted in a loss.

During the half-year the *Huangshan* has undergone the usual annual repairs and docking under Government survey, and the *Powen* is now laid up to receive new boilers and for a general overhaul, the cost of which will be met by the sum which it is proposed to carry forward.

The *White Cloud* has been sold, and the loss on her book value, amounting to \$7,637.50, is provided for in the accounts now presented. To take the place of this steamer on the Canton-Macao Line, the *Lungshan* was withdrawn from the West River service, and the *Lungkhang* is also running temporarily on the same route.

The properties mortgaged to the Company have been revalued by Messrs. Palmer and Turner, whose valuations show them to be ample security for the sums advanced. The value of the Company's investments in shares has been adjusted to figures well within present market rates, the difference being passed to the credit of investment fluctuation account.

The retiring Auditors, Messrs. A. O'D. Gourdin and F. Henderson, offer themselves for re-election.

E. R. BELILIOS, Chairman.

31st Dec., 1890. ASSETS. \$  
 Value of steamers *Powen*, *Huangshan* and *Huangshan* and 5ths of *Patshan* 740,000.00  
 Value of steam-launches *Lungshan* and *Lungkhang* 47,500.00  
 Value of wharves, bulk, and moorings 26,411.70  
 Value of properties at Whidow and Kongku 5,315.77  
 Value of lighters *Sun Lee* and *Wo Lee* 15,000.00  
 Value of coal, stores, and spare gear 11,830.46  
 Value of furniture 750.00  
 Value of shares in public companies 454,485.00  
 Value of Chinese bonds 1,034.43  
 Loans on mortgage 632,560.00  
 Cash with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation 110,483.13  
 Interest accrued to date 1,558.36  
 Interest on account new tow boat and lighters, and new stern wheel steamers for West River trade 103,871.00  
 Insurance premium paid for the year 1890 15,894.12  
 Sundry debtors 8,450.23  
 \$2,170,154.81

31st Dec., 1890. LIABILITIES. \$  
 Amount of capital, 80,000 shares of \$15 each, fully paid up 1,300,000.00  
 Amount of refund of capital of \$5 per share on 10 shares unpaid 50.00  
 Amount at credit of depreciation and insurance fund 600,000.00  
 Amount at credit of equalisation of dividend fund 9,000.00  
 Amount of credit of investment fluctuation account 157,826.55  
 Unclaimed dividends 15,125.00  
 Sundry creditors 29,084.85  
 Amount at credit of profit and loss account 179,083.41  
 \$3,170,154.81

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

31st Dec., 1890. Dr. \$  
 To amount paid for repairs to steamers 10,471.75  
 To loss on sale of steamer *White Cloud* 7,637.50  
 To subscriptions to Tung Wah Hospital and Soldiers and Sailors' Families' Funds 750.00  
 To directors and auditors' fees 2,750.40  
 To balance to be appropriated, viz.—  
 Dividend at 8 per cent. on \$1,000,000 96,000.00  
 To be written off value of steamers 59,875.00  
 To be carried to new account 43,213.41  
 1200,704.65

30th June, 1890. Cr. \$  
 By balance brought forward from last account 56,648.65  
 31st Dec., 1890. Cr. \$  
 By net earnings of steamers 106,063.21  
 By interest on investments 36,387.75  
 By transfer fees 312.00  
 By profit on sale of foreclosed property 3,385.00  
 1200,704.65

31st Dec., 1890. Dr. \$  
 To balance 600,000.00  
 By amount at credit 600,000.00  
 EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDEND FUND.

31st Dec., 1890. Dr. \$  
 To balance 9,000.00  
 30th June, 1890. Cr. \$  
 By amount at credit 9,000.00

DEPRECIATION AND INSURANCE FUND.

31st Dec., 1890. Dr. \$  
 To balance 600,000.00  
 30th June, 1890. Cr. \$  
 By amount at credit 600,000.00

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MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

M. FUJISE, Manager.

Hongkong, 10th August, 1890.

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LONG FLAX CANVAS

RELIANCE CROWN

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Hongkong, 10th August, 1890.

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MERCHANT

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HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1900.

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## THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

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## THE CASUALTIES.

London, 9th January.—The total casualties of the campaign, exclusive of Ladysmith on Saturday, are 7,213 officers and men. Of the former 88 were killed, 255 wounded and 102 missing; of the men 938 killed, 3,416 wounded, 2,140 missing.

## INDIANS AS STRETCHER BEARERS.

A standard telegram from Durban states that 1,200 Indian stretcher bearers left for the front on the 8th instant.

THE INTERVENTION OF PORTUGAL DENIED.

London, 8th January.—The statements made on the Berlin National Zeitung regarding the seizure of the *Bundesraeth* are officially denied. Portugal has sent no Note to the Powers.

## DEPARTURE OF TROOPS FROM BOMBAY.

Bombay, 6th January.—The 16th Queen's Lancers sailed this afternoon for the Cape in the transports *Fusilier*, *Nairing*, and *Lindula*.

The transports *Alana* and *Muttra* sail on Monday, the former with a battery of the Royal Horse Artillery and the latter with horses.

## THE WESTERN FRONTIER.

London, 7th January.—Lord Methuen is making a railway round the Boer position which he despairs of taking by assault.

The prisoners taken by Colonel Pilcher at Belmont have been informed that they will be treated as rebels.

## THE BATTLE OF MAGERSFONTEIN.

London, 8th January.—Letters regarding the battle of Magersfontein show that Gen. Cronje purposely projected his outworks to some distance from the kopjes in order to prevent the Boers from retiring before our fire. These outworks were manned throughout without reinforcements. The British retreat was an obvious mistake, and was carried out in violation of Lord Methuen's instructions. The Highland Brigade and the British were perfectly safe where they were, and, had they stayed there, they would have compelled the Boers to go back by nightfall and have won the position. The 2nd Battalion Yorkshire Light Infantry expended 72,000 rounds of ammunition.

## FRICITION BETWEEN MR. BALFOUR AND THE WAR OFFICE.

Parliament meets before the end of the month for the purpose of voting the necessary funds for the prosecution of the campaign.

Mr. Balfour has sacrificed his Christmas holiday, and lives between Downing Street and the War Office.

A rupture between Mr. Balfour and Lord Lansdowne and Wolsley is regarded as inevitable.

The Commander-in-Chief's complaint is that he was not consulted in regard to the despatch of Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener. This is difficult to believe seeing that the Cabinet decided on the appointments at the end of November. Lord Wolsley threatens to publish documents showing how his hands were crippled throughout.

## DISTINGUISHED VOLUNTEERS.

The War Office has notified to the Earl of Derbyshire, Commandant, its acceptance of the Honourable Artillery Company's offer to officer and furnish a battery for service in South Africa.

The Earl of Essex and Sir George Arthur are joining the Herefordshire Yeomanry.

Lord Lansdowne, on behalf of the Yeomanry Committee, has purchased 700 Cumberland horses.

Dr. Conran Doyle has volunteered in connection with the Langman Field Hospital, which is leaving shortly.

The students of the University of Athens have telegraphed to Oxford sincerely wishing Britain's success for the sake of Universal Civilization.

## GOOD RESULTS FROM THE CAPTURE OF DOUGLAS.

Middlesex, 6th January.—The Queen's Guards and the Canadians have been so energetic in the neighbourhood of Belmont that a large belt across the Free State has been described by the Boers. It is the more surprising, therefore, that the rebels surprised by Colonel Pilcher dared to camp close by, and within 45 miles of Lord Methuen.

Records taken by Colonel Pilcher from the captured Shuryside laager disclose the political standing of every man in a wide district.

The success of the Colonials is viewed with pride by every branch of the Regulars, and will produce good effect on both loyal and disloyal colonists.

## SPEECH OF MR. BALFOUR.

London, 9th January.—Mr. Balfour, speaking at Manchester last night, said that notwithstanding the tactical mistake at Ladysmith, the Boer invasion of British territory need frightened nobody. The Government had given the Generals absolutely a free hand and never hampered their action. The war was for the defense of our African Empire and would be pursued unswervingly, preventing a recurrence of any such war in South Africa. He ridiculed the foreign prophecies that the dissolution of the British Empire had begun and said the war had demonstrated the unity of the Empire. He referred especially to the loyal offers made by the Indian Prince.

## IN NATAL.

London, 9th January.—General Buller contented himself during Saturday's fighting at Ladysmith with a simultaneous demonstration consisting of a march of two miles to Colenso and an extension for attack which the Artillery utilised to bombard the Boer positions, after which the force marched back to Chieveley.

The result of General White's messages following upon last week's operations elsewhere have been to strengthen confidence at home.

London, 10th January.—A Times special wire, dated Fife Camp, 7th January, says: Caesar's camp, one of the chief points attacked yesterday, is the most advanced post held by the Ladysmith garrison, about three miles south of the town. Its tactical importance is due to the fact that it guards a long ridge running at the back to the town. The Manchester and Gordons, encamped at Caesar's camp and the two battalions of the King's Royal Rifles on the ridge to the east close by repulsed the attack with bayonet.

London, 9th January.—The Boer General Buller is constructing a subsidiary railroad westwards towards Poltigier's drift.

## RENSBURG.

London, 9th January.—The official list of the Suffolk Regiment casualties on Saturday give Colonel Watson, three Lieutenants and 23 men killed, 22 wounded and six officers and 107 men prisoners.

## LONDON, 9th January.

A brilliant charge by 28 men of the Royal Inniskilling is reported from Rensburg. They were intercepted by 500 Boers but cut their way through with the loss of seven. There were several narrow escapes.

## REINFORCEMENTS.

London, 9th January.—The *Lycea* left London on Friday with 100 wagons, 31,000 rounds Lyddite shell and quantities of small arm ammunition.

The *Pritanni* left Southampton on Saturday with the 2nd Cheshire, 19th Bearer Company, R. A. M. C., and extra officers, totalling 40 officers and 1,960 men.

Colonel Curtis, commanding the 15th Brigade Staff, has been delayed owing to General Prior's illness.

The *America* containing a detachment of Mounted Infantry for the Sixth Division and Ammunition Column, altogether 100 officers and 280 men with an equal number of horses, sailed from London on Friday.

The *British Prince*, with a second detachment, consisting of men of the Buffs, 2nd Gloucesters, altogether 400 men and 350 horses, left on Saturday. The ship has been heavily laden for the Atlantic horse trade and in the sister ship of the *British Prince* which carried the Scots Greys to South Africa in November in under 30 days.

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